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Tracking Amounts Programmed and  
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## **TRACKING AMOUNTS PROGRAMMED AND EXPENDED FOR PROJECT SUPPORT**

### **SUMMARY**

At the August 22-23 California Transportation Commission (Commission) Meeting, the Department of Transportation (Department) and Commission were requested to work together to develop a process to begin reporting on the Department's capital outlay support expenditures on Project Development for individual projects programmed from the Interregional Improvement Program (IIP) and the Regional Improvement Programs (RIPs). The Department will begin reporting the estimated final expenditure amounts for both the environmental and design phases of Project Development, compared to the related IIP and/or RIP programmed amounts, in the vote boxes for projects receiving their construction phase allocation at the November Commission Meeting. The Department has also committed to providing a listing of all projects that were previously allocated for construction that had IIP and/or RIP programming for Project Development and to include a summary of the individual allocation reports in future Quarterly Delivery Reports.

### **BACKGROUND**

Beginning with the implementation in the 1998 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) of Senate Bill 45, project support activities programmed in the STIP began counting against the programming share balance of either the IIP or the RIP(s) that submitted the project for programming unless the projects were grandfathered from the 1996 STIP. California Streets and Highways Code Section 188.8 establishes that the total amount programmed for the two Project Development components (Environmental and Design) shall be counted against share balances, unless the total of actual expenditures for the two components differs by more than 20 percent from the amount programmed. When actual expenditures exceed the margin of plus or minus 20 percent, the actual expenditure is charged against the appropriate share balance.

The Project Development phase spans several years, but some projects that were not grandfathered into the 1998 STIP are beginning to be delivered for construction. The Department will now begin providing both the amounts programmed from the IIP and/or RIPs for Project Development and the estimate of actual final expenditures at the time of the construction allocation. The Department will also specifically note share balance adjustments when expenditures exceed the statutory limits. Listing this information in the individual vote boxes for projects at the time of their construction allocation facilitates share balance accounting. As part of each Quarterly Delivery Report, the Department will summarize the information reported for Project Development during the quarter.